

BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION

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August 26, 2014

Martin R. Cole
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City of Culver City
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Culver City, CA 90232

RE: Ordinance # 2014-003

Dear Mr. Cole:

This letter is to advise you of our determination regarding the referenced ordinance with express findings received from your agency on August 18, 2014.

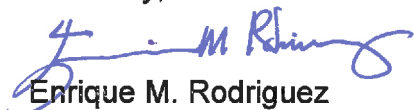
Our review finds the submittal to contain one ordinance modifying provisions of the 2013 California Building Standards Code in Title 24, California Code of Regulations (code), and express findings complying with Health and Safety Code §§17958.7 and 18941.5. The code modification is accepted for filing and is enforceable. This letter attests only to the satisfaction of the cited law for filing of local code amendment supported by an express finding with the Commission. The Commission is not authorized by law to evaluate the merit of the code modification or the express finding.

Local modifications to the code are specific to a particular edition of the code. They must be readopted and filed with the Commission in order to remain in effect when the next triennial edition of the code is published.

On a related matter, should your city receive and ratify Fire Protection District ordinances making modifications to the code, be advised that Health and Safety Code §13869.7(c) requires such ratified ordinances and express findings to be filed with the Department of Housing and Community Development, Division of Codes and Standards, State Housing Law Program, rather than this Commission. Also, ordinances making modifications to the energy efficiency standards of the code may require approval from the California Energy Commission pursuant to Public Resources Code §25402.1(h)(2).

If you have any questions or need any further information, you may contact me at (916) 263-0916.

Sincerely,


Enrique M. Rodriguez
Associate Construction Analyst

cc: Chron
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August 15, 2014

California Building Standards Commission
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130
Sacramento, CA 95833

RE: Submission of the City of Culver City's Changes/Modifications
2013 California Building Codes

Gentlepersons:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of Ordinance 2014-003 (adopted by the City Council on July 14, 2014) and Resolution 2014-R053 (adopted by the City Council on June 23, 2014) related to the City of Culver City's changes/modifications to the 2013 California Building Codes.

Pursuant to the terms of Resolution 2014-R053, I transmit the above documents to the California Building Standards Commission and respectfully request an endorsed copy thereof be provided to me via return mail.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 310-253-6000 or martin.cole@culvercity.org.

Sincerely,

Martin R. Cole, MPA
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

Enclosures: Copy of Ordinance 2014-003
Copy of Resolution 2014-R053

ORDINANCE NO. 2014- 003

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, REPEALING AND REPLACING SUBCHAPTER 15.02.100 OF TITLE 15, CHAPTER 15.02 OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2013 CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, 2013 CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE, 2013 CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CODE, 2013 CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE, 2013 CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE, 2013 CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE, 2013 CALIFORNIA ENERGY CODE, 2013 CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL BUILDING CODE, 2013 EXISTING BUILDING CODE, 2013 CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, AND 2013 CALIFORNIA REFERENCE STANDARDS CODE; AND REPEALING CHAPTER 15.04 OF TITLE 15 IN ITS ENTIRETY

The City Council of the City of Culver City, California, **DOES HEREBY ORDAIN** as follows:

SECTION 1: That Subchapter 15.02.100 of Title 15, Chapter 15.02 of the Culver City Municipal Code is hereby repealed; and those certain documents, copies of which are on file in the office of the City Clerk, being marked and designated as the 2013 triennial edition of the California Code of Regulations, Title 24 (California Building Standards Code), consisting of Parts 1 through 6, part 8, and parts 10 through 12, with all appendices, amendments, supplements and errata, are hereby adopted as the Building Standards Administrative Code, Building Code, Residential Building Code, Electrical Code, Mechanical Code, Plumbing Code, Energy Code, Historical Building Code, Existing Building Code, Green Building Standards Code, and Reference Standards Code of the City of Culver City, in the State of California, and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said Codes on file in the office of the City Clerk of Culver City are hereby incorporated, referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof, as though fully set out in this ordinance.

1 **SECTION 2.** Subchapter 15.02.100 of the Culver City Municipal Code,
2 having been repealed in Section 1 above, is hereby replaced as follows:

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4 **ADOPTION OF STATE CODES**

5 **§15.02.100 California Building Standards Administrative Code Adopted**
6 **by Reference**

7 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Building Standards Administrative
8 Code, published by the International Code Council, and all appendices,
9 amendments, supplements and errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and
10 shall be applicable to the City of Culver City, and referred to as the "Building
11 Standards Administrative Code of the City of Culver City."

12 B. One copy of the Building Standards Administrative Code of the City of
13 Culver City shall be kept on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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15 **§15.02.105 California Building Code Adopted by Reference**

16 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Building Code, Volumes 1 and 2,
17 published by the International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments,
18 supplements and errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be
19 applicable to the City of Culver City, and referred to as the "Building Code of the City
20 of Culver City."

21 B. One copy of the Building Code of the City of Culver City shall be kept
22 on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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24 **§15.02.110 California Residential Building Code Adopted by Reference**

25 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Residential Building Code,
26 published by the International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments,
27 supplements and errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be
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1 applicable to the City of Culver City, and referred to as the "Residential Building
2 Code of the City of Culver City."

3 B. One copy of the Residential Building Code of the City of Culver City
4 shall be kept on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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6 **§15.02.115 California Electrical Code Adopted by Reference**

7 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Electrical Code, published by the
8 International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments, supplements and
9 errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be applicable to the City of
10 Culver City, and referred to as the "Electrical Code of the City of Culver City."

11 B. One copy of the Electrical Code of the City of Culver City shall be kept
12 on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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14 **§15.02.120 California Mechanical Code Adopted by Reference**

15 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Mechanical Code, published by the
16 International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments, supplements and
17 errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be applicable to the City of
18 Culver City, and referred to as the "Mechanical Code of the City of Culver City."

19 B. One copy of the Mechanical Code of the City of Culver City shall be
20 kept on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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22 **§15.02.125 California Plumbing Code Adopted by Reference**

23 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Plumbing Code, published by the
24 International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments, supplements and
25 errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be applicable to the City of
26 Culver City, and referred to as the "Plumbing Code of the City of Culver City."

1 B. One copy of the Plumbing Code of the City of Culver City shall be kept
2 on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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4 **§15.02.130 California Energy Code Adopted by Reference**

5 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Energy Code, published by the
6 International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments, supplements and
7 errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be applicable to the City of
8 Culver City, and referred to as the "Energy Code of the City of Culver City."

9 B. One copy of the Energy Code of the City of Culver City shall be kept
10 on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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12 **§15.02.135 California Historical Building Code Adopted by Reference**

13 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Historical Building Code, published
14 by the International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments, supplements
15 and errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be applicable to the
16 City of Culver City, and referred to as the "Historical Building Code of the City of
17 Culver City."

18 B. One copy of the Historical Building Code of the City of Culver City shall
19 be kept on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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21 **§15.02.140 California Existing Building Code Adopted by Reference**

22 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Existing Building Code, published by
23 the International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments, supplements and
24 errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be applicable to the City of
25 Culver City, and referred to as the "Existing Building Code of the City of Culver City."

26 B. One copy of the Existing Building Code of the City of Culver City shall
27 be kept on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

1 **§15.02.145 California Green Building Standards Code Adopted by**
2 **Reference**

3 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Green Building Standards Code,
4 published by the International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments,
5 supplements and errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be
6 applicable to the City of Culver City, and referred to as the "Green Building
7 Standards Code of the City of Culver City."

8 B. One copy of the Green Building Standards Code of the City of Culver
9 City shall be kept on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.

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11 **§15.02.150 California Reference Standards Code Adopted by Reference**

12 A. The 2013 Edition of the California Reference Standards Code,
13 published by the International Code Council, and all appendices, amendments,
14 supplements and errata thereto, is hereby adopted by reference and shall be
15 applicable to the City of Culver City, and referred to as the "Reference Standards
16 Code of the City of Culver City."

17 B. One copy of the Reference Standards Code of the City of Culver City
18 shall be kept on file in the Building Official's office for public inspection.


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20 **SECTION 3:** That Chapter 15.04 of Title 15 of the Culver City Municipal
21 Code is hereby repealed in its entirety, and is reserved.

22 **SECTION 4:** Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to affect any suit
23 or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or
24 any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or Ordinance
25 hereby repealed as cited in Section 1 of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal
26 right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

1 **SECTION 5:** Pursuant to Section 619 of the City Charter, this Ordinance shall
2 take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption. Pursuant to Section 616 and 621 of
3 the City Charter, prior to the expiration of fifteen (15) days after the adoption, the
4 City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance, or a summary thereof, to be published in the
5 Culver City News and shall post this Ordinance or a summary thereof in at least
6 three (3) places within the City.

7 **SECTION 6:** City Council hereby declares that, if any provision, section,
8 subsection, paragraph, sentence, phrase or word of this Ordinance is rendered or
9 declared invalid or unconstitutional by any final action in a court of competent
10 jurisdiction or by reason or any preemptive legislation, then the City Council would
11 have independently adopted the remaining provisions, sections, subsections,
12 paragraphs, sentences, phrases, or words of this Ordinance, and as such they shall
13 remain in full force and effect.

14 APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14 day of July 2014.

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18 MEGHAN SAHLI-WELLS, MAYOR
19 City of Culver City, California

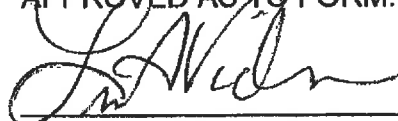
20 ATTEST:

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23 MARTIN R. COLE
24 City Clerk

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20 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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23 CAROL A. SCHWAB
24 City Attorney

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1 Systems and Equipment; Chapter 20, Aviation Facilities; Chapter 23, Motor Fuel-
2 Dispensing Facilities and Repair Garages; Chapter 48, Motion Picture and
3 Television Production Studio Sound Stages, Approved Production Facilities and
4 Production Locations; Chapter 57, Flammable and Combustible Liquids; Appendix
5 Chapter 4, Special Detailed Requirements based on Use and Occupancy; Appendix
6 B, Fire-Flow Requirements for Buildings; Appendix C, Fire Hydrant Locations and
7 Distribution; Appendix D, Fire Apparatus Access Roads: are proposed to be
8 adopted by the City Council as changes to the 2013 edition of the California Fire
9 Code, and are reasonably necessary because of local climatic, geological or
10 topographical conditions that create fire hazards and inhibit fire safety response
11 access and response time, as set forth in this resolution.
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- 13 a. Culver City's climate is primarily influenced by the Pacific Ocean and is
14 characterized by infrequent rainfall and winds which come from the west
15 during the daytime and from the north and northeast during the nighttime,
16 with intermittent Santa Ana winds occurring from September to March.
17 These conditions create the potential for high velocity winds with high
18 temperatures that are conducive to uncontrolled, rapidly spreading wind
19 driven fires. Enforcement of the Fire Code including these amendments
20 to the Fire Code are necessary to limit exposure from buildings not having
21 built-in fire protection systems and immediate containment of a fire is the
22 only method by which fire can be controlled during high wind conditions.
23 Accordingly, built-in fire suppression systems would provide the only
24 adequate measure to mitigate the potential hazards and damage caused
25 by such fires.
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1 b. Culver City is in the vicinity of several known active and potentially active
2 earthquake faults including the San Andreas, Newport-Inglewood,
3 Overland and Charnock faults. The City has and is likely to continue to
4 experience seismic events including ground shaking and liquefaction of
5 sufficient magnitude to cause substantial damage to structures.
6 Significant damage is likely to be accompanied by a substantial number
7 of fires that will exceed the fire department suppression capabilities.
8 Seismic activity also has the potential to cause damage to streets,
9 roadways and overpasses to the San Diego Freeway and La Ballona
10 Creek that would hamper and delay emergency vehicle response.
11 Accordingly, enforcement of the Culver City Fire Code Amendments is
12 necessary to provide minimal levels of protection for un-protected
13 structures and built-in fire suppression systems would provide the only
14 adequate measure to mitigate the potential hazards and damage caused
15 by such fires.
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18 c. The topography of the City is such that structures are situated in close
19 proximity to each other, with only about 1% of the 5 square miles that the
20 City occupies vacant. In addition, these lots are often very narrow or on
21 hilly terrain, which limits access to side yards for fire suppression and
22 placement of ladders for rescue operations. These conditions increase
23 the threat to life and property and contribute to the ability of fires to spread
24 quickly between buildings because of their proximity to each other. The
25 City also has two large residential hillside areas that are within a State
26 designated "Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone." There is the potential
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1 for rapidly spreading fires in these hillside areas due to the topography of
2 the terrain. Accordingly, built-in fire suppression systems would provide
3 the only adequate measure to mitigate the potential hazards and damage
4 caused by such fires.

5 2. Based on Climatic, Geological or Topographical reasons, amendments
6 to the 2013 California Fire Code are as follows:
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8 AMENDMENT; Chapter 1 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE

9 Chapter 1 of the Fire Code is hereby amended to read as follows:
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11 Section 1.1.4.1 Appendices Adoption. Per requirements of Chapter 1
12 section 1.1.4, the Culver City Fire Department has adopted by reference and
13 has amended chapters and appendices in this document. Adopted
14 appendices by reference are Appendix Chapter 4, Appendix B as amended,
15 Appendix BB, Appendix C as amended, Appendix CC, Appendix D as
16 amended, Appendix E, Appendix F, Appendix G, Appendix H, Appendix I,
17 and Appendix K, as amended by the California State Fire Marshal and
18 adopted by the California Building Standards Commission.

19 Section 104.1.1 Fire Prevention Standard Operating Policy Manual. A
20 Fire Code Departmental Policy Manual, known as the Culver City Fire
21 Prevention Standard Operating Guidelines has been created and adopted to
22 serve as instructions and interpretations of the adopted Fire Code. The Policy
23 Manual shall be a published document, maintained in the Fire Prevention
24 office, and amended from time to time to provide current instruction and
25 interpretation.
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1 Section 105.1.1.1 Permit Fees. Permit Fees shall be adopted by
2 resolution of the City Council.

3 Section 105.6.3.1 Aviation
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5 An operational permit is required for all types of aircraft that are flying,
6 hovering, landing, lifting, filming, parking, or similar activities.

7 Section 105.6.34.1 Special Events and Assemblage
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9 A permit is required for special events and assemblages.

10 Section 105.6.48 Non-Defined Operations.
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12 An operational permit may be required after a Fire Department Review for
13 hazards to people or property from the proposed operation, system or event.

14 Section 105.6.49 Installation Contractor Permit.
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16 An Installation Contractor permit shall be obtained prior to obtaining a
17 Suppression/ Detection permit for life safety system installations, service
18 repairs, maintenance or testing. Permit fees shall be per City Council fee
19 schedule adopted by City Council Resolution.

20 Section 108.4 Appeals. Protests and appeals from the enforcement of
21 this Code shall be made to the Municipal Code Appeals Committee in
22 accordance with the Culver City Municipal Code Sections 9.04.425 and
23 9.04.445.

24 9.02.025 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 2 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE.
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26 Chapter 2 Definitions is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 Section 202, Existing Building/structure square footage.
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1 The existing square footage of a building/structure is defined as the
2 remaining square footage after all demolition of the building has been
3 completed.

4 Section 202, Existing Roof Structure square footage.

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6 The existing square footage of a roof structure is defined as the remaining
7 square footage of the roof structure after all demolition of the roof structure
8 has been completed.

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10 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 4 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE

11 Chapter 4 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 Section 401.1.1 Permits. A permit shall be required as set forth in the
13 Culver City, City Council approved fee schedule for all special events and
14 assemblages.

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16 Section 403.1.1.1 Special Event Application and Submittals. All special
17 event and assemblages shall be submitted to the fire department for review.
18 All applications shall have a contact name, phone number, business name,
19 address, a plot plan, and a floor plan with sufficient detail and information to
20 allow for a comprehensive evaluation. Permits, Fire Safety Officers, security,
21 and other issues determined by the review shall be provided by the event
22 organizer prior to allowing the event or assemblage to operate. Tents in
23 excess of 400 square feet needed for a special event or assemblage shall
24 meet the requirements of Chapter 31 and require a separate fire permit.

25 Section 408.11.2.1 Identification. Identification numbers shall be
26 provided for all individual units in a covered mall buildings, multi-unit buildings
27 and other commercial complexes and shall be placed in such a position as to
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1 be plainly visible and legible. The position and size of such identification
2 numbers shall be determined by the Fire Code Official. Numbers and names
3 shall be provided for all enclosed rooms and spaces, including service rooms,
4 mechanical rooms, closets, and similar spaces to identify use.

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7 AMENDMENT: CHAPTER 5 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE

8 Chapter 5 of the Fire Code is hereby amended to read as follows:
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10 Section 503.1.2.1 Difficult apparatus access. If the Fire Code Official
11 or his/her designee determines that access for fire apparatus and equipment
12 to any building or structure is unduly difficult, installation of an automatic fire-
13 extinguishing system shall be required.

14 Section 504.1 Required Access.

15 Section 504.1.1 Keysets, handles, locks and keys.

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17 As determined by a fire department review, all noted exterior doors shall be
18 provided with locksets and handles for Fire Department Access. Keys for
19 required access shall be provided by the owner and made readily available in
20 the KNOX Box.

21 Section 504.5 Catwalks and Ladders. Upon review, buildings with
22 parapets and other construction that exceeds five (5) feet from the roof may
23 be required to provide non-combustible catwalks and ladders.

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25 Section 504.6 Exterior Structure Requirements. All buildings with wall
26 tops and/or parapets with soft materials, rails or other construction that
27 creates a hazard to safe access for firefighting purposes shall have solid
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1 surfaces to support the use of ladders, firefighters with gear and other
2 suppression equipment. Review and approval of surfaces shall be by the Fire
3 Code Official.

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6 Section 507.1.1 Hydrant location for new sprinkler systems.

7 Fire Hydrants shall not be located more than 250 feet from the Fire
8 Department Connection.

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10 Section 509.3. Ventilation/exhaust fan Controls. When the Building
11 Code requires a mechanical ventilation/exhaust system for enclosed areas
12 and parking structures (other than in enclosed malls or high rise buildings)
13 the mechanical exhaust system shall include a Fire Department manual
14 control switch(s); The design and submittal of the Manual Control Switch shall
15 include an "Off, On, Automatic" operations provided to the Culver City Fire
16 Prevention Division and the Building Department for review and issuance of
17 permits. Location of Manual fan control switch(s) shall be in a fire department
18 approved location.

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21 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 9 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE

22 Chapter 9 of the Fire Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

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24 Section 901.4.1.1 An automatic fire-extinguishing (sprinkler) system
25 shall be installed in every new building in the City, including any new
26 residential building, hereinafter constructed or moved into the City, regardless
27 of area separation or type of construction.

EXCEPTION: *New buildings less than 500 square feet may be exempted upon approval of the Fire Code Official.*

Section 901.4.1.3 Commercial, Industrial and Multi-family. In existing commercial, industrial and multi-family residential occupancies, fire sprinklers shall be required in existing and new portions of the building for height increases, area increases of 50% or more, and for any occupancy change that increases fire risk or hazard.

Section 901.4.1.4 Residential. Existing one and two family dwellings shall be required to install a full automatic fire sprinkler system in existing and new portions of the building when a story is added, more than 75% of the existing roof structure is replaced, or when the enclosed floor area is increased by more than 75%. NOTE: See Culver City Amended Chapter 2 for the definition of "EXISTING BUILDING/STRUCTURE AND ROOF STRUCTURE".

Section 903.3.5.1.1. LIMITED AREA SPRINKLER SYSTEMS
DELETED, REPLACED BY new Section 903.5.1.1. Partial Fire Sprinkler
Systems. Where in the Fire Code or the Building Code a partial fire sprinkler
system is allowed or required, the fire sprinkler system shall be installed,
modified or extended to protect the entire building or structure.

Section 903.3.5.3 Hydraulically calculated systems. The design of hydraulically calculated fire sprinkler systems shall not exceed 90% of the water supply capacity.

Section 903.3.5.4 Sprinkler Control Valves and Equipment. Sprinkler shutoff valves, flow switches, gauges, and drains shall be required on each floor of buildings three stories or greater in height.

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3 Section. 907.1.2(9) Voltage Drop Calculations. Maximum percent of
4 voltage drop on any initiation, output, audible/visual circuit or load consuming
5 circuit shall not exceed percentage as required per UL and manufacturer's
6 requirements.

7 Section. 907.1.6 Projection Room Controls. All projection equipment
8 and audio equipment shall be interconnected to the fire alarm system for shut
9 down, upon an interrupt signal from the fire alarm panel, to prevent
10 interference of all visual and audible evacuation devices and directions from
11 the theatre staff for evacuation directions.

12 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 20 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE

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14 Chapter 20 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 Section 2001.4 Permits. All flight operations within the City of Culver
16 City are required to have an approved Culver City Fire Department permit.
17 Permits shall cover but not be limited to: flight to perform lifts, hovering, fly
18 over, landings, filming and other operations while flying, hovering or landing.
19 Commercially operated radio controlled aircraft shall provide a flight plan
20 approved by the FAA, with sufficient details to allow for review and approval
21 from the Culver City Fire Department.

22 Section 2001.5 Operation and review standards. Compliance with CA
23 Fire Code Chapter 20 and CCMC 9.09 shall be used to obtain a flight permit
24 and the requirements for flight operations and approvals. All operations shall
25 be reviewed and approved by the fire department. Landing, fueling, repairs,
26 and storage are limited. The need for providing standby personnel, Fire
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1 Safety Officers and permits for any or all activities shall be determined by the
2 Fire Department.

3 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 23 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE
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5 Chapter 23 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 Section 2301.7 Class III-B Liquids. Where in this chapter there is a
7 requirement for Class III-A Liquids, this same requirement shall apply to
8 Class III-B Liquids.
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10 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 48 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE.
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12 Chapter 48 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 Section 4804.6.1 Illumination. The approved perimeter aisles shall be
14 illuminated at floor level with light fixtures spaced at intervals of not more than
15 fifty (50) feet apart and providing a minimum light intensity of not less than (1)
16 foot-candle. Power for the emergency light fixtures shall be supplied as
17 required by Culver City Fire Department Regulations. All Exit and Emergency
18 lights shall comply with the Building Code requirements for two sources of
19 power with one of the two sources of power provided by approved batteries.

20 Section. 4804.10 Flammable Liquids and Compressed Gases on
21 Sound Stages. Unless approved, in writing, by the Fire Code Official,
22 flammable liquids and compressed flammable gases shall be prohibited on
23 television and motion picture sound stages.
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25 Section 4804.11 Fire Department Filming and Performance
26 Regulations. All Motion Picture and Television Production Studio Sound
27 Stages, Approved Production Facilities and Productions Locations shall
28 comply with Culver City Fire Department Filming and Performance

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1 Regulations. Fire Department Filming Regulations are available for review at
2 the Fire Prevention Counter.

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4 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 57 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE

5 Chapter 57 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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7 Section 5701.6 Class III-B Liquids. Where in this chapter there is a
8 requirement for Class III-A Liquids, this same requirement shall apply to
9 Class III-B liquids.

10 AMENDMENT; APPENDIX B OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE.

11 Appendix B, Exception, is hereby amended to read as follows:

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13 Section B105.2, Exception: The reduction in required fire flow of up to 50
14 percent, as approved, is allowed when the building or structure is provided
15 throughout with an approved automatic fire sprinkler system installed in
16 accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2. The minimum resulting fire-
17 flow shall not be less than 1,500 gallons per minute (5678 L/min) for the
18 prescribed duration as specified in Table B105.1.

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21 AMENDMENT; APPENDIX C OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE.

22 Appendix C is hereby amended to read as follows:

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24 Section C101.1.2. Whenever the reference is made to Table C105.1, use
25 Culver City Fire Department requirements of 300 foot fire hydrant spacing in
26 commercial/industrial areas and 600 foot spacing in residential areas for
27 Hydrant Placement, Spacing and Specifications. Maximum distance of a fire
28 hydrant to an FDC shall not exceed 150 feet.

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3 AMENDMENT; APPENDIX D, OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE.

4 Appendix D is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 Section D101.1.2. Use table as indicated. Upon review of a project and based
6 on Fire Department access and water supplies, the Fire Department may
7 change the tables to mitigate special hazards.
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10 *Fireworks*

11 § 9.02.200 DEFINITIONS.

12 *The following words and phrases, as used in this Subchapter, are*
13 *defined as follows:*

14 *FIREWORKS. Means and includes any combustible explosive*
15 *composition, or any substance or combination of substances, or article*
16 *prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or an audible effect by*
17 *combustion, explosion, deflagration, or detonation, and shall include blank*
18 *cartridges, toy pistols, toy cannons, toy canes, or toy guns in which*
19 *explosives are used, the type of balloons which require fire underneath to*
20 *propel the same, firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, Roman candles, Day*
21 *glow bombs, sparklers, or other devices of like construction and any devices*
22 *containing any explosives or flammable compound, or any tablets or other*
23 *device containing any explosive substance, except that the term*
24 *FIREWORKS shall not include any auto flares, paper caps containing not in*
25 *excess of an average of twenty-five hundredths (.25) of a grain of explosive*
26 *content per cap, and toy pistols, toy canes or toy guns or other devices for*
27 *use of such caps, the sale and use of which shall be permitted at all times.*
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PERSON. Includes any individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, association concern, corporation, estate, trust, business trust, receiver, syndicate, or any other group or combination acting as a unit.

PUBLIC DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS. An entertainment feature where the public is admitted or permitted to view the display or discharge of fireworks, including but not limited to those above defined.

**§ 9.02.205 SALE, USE OR TRANSPORTATION OF FIREWORKS;
PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS.**

A. Except as provided herein, it shall be unlawful for any person to use, possess, sell or discharge any fireworks of any kind within the City.

B. Fireworks may be transported through the City from and to points outside the City by any wholesaler, retailer, jobber, warehouseman, or manufacturer; provided that, no fireworks shall be so transported without written approval of the Fire Code Official, which approval shall be revocable for cause and shall be granted only upon application therefore setting forth the description of the route to be used for the transportation and such other information as the Fire Chief shall require.

C. *Fireworks may be transported through the City from and to points outside the City by an ultimate consumer of the fireworks.*

D. Fireworks may be kept or stored by City safety officers in a safe and secure place pending the lawful disposal thereof.

E. A person may use, store and possess fireworks in order to conduct a public display of fireworks after obtaining a permit pursuant to this Subchapter.

F. Nothing in this Subchapter shall be construed to prohibit the use of fireworks by personnel of railroads or other transportation agencies for

1 *signal purposes or illumination, or the sale or use of blank cartridges for a*
2 *show or theater, or for signal or ceremonial purposes in athletics or sports, or*
3 *for use by military organizations.*

4 *G. Nothing in this Subchapter shall be construed to prohibit the*
5 *assembling, compounding, use and display of fireworks of whatever nature*
6 *by any person engaged in the production of motion pictures, theatricals, or*
7 *operas or when such use and display is a necessary part of the production*
8 *and such person possesses a valid permit to purchase, possess, transport or*
9 *use such fireworks as required by State and local regulations.*

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11 **§ 9.02.210 PERMITS TO CONDUCT DISPLAYS OF FIREWORKS**
12 **GRANTED BY CITY COUNCIL.**

13 *The City Council, by resolution, upon written application as provided in*
14 *this Subchapter and subject to the provisions of this Subchapter, may grant*
15 *two (2) permits to conduct a public display of fireworks in a calendar year,*
16 *each display to occur on a separate date. The City Council may by resolution,*
17 *grant an additional special permit for a public fireworks display sponsored by*
18 *the City.*

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20 **§ 9.02.215 APPLICATION FOR PERMIT; CONDITIONS FOR FILING.**

21 *An application for a permit to conduct a public display of fireworks shall*
22 *be filed in compliance with all of the following:*

23 *A. Application for a permit to conduct a public display of fireworks*
24 *shall be filed in the Office of the City Manager, on forms provided by the City,*
25 *at least 180 days prior to the date requested for conducting the public display*
26 *of fireworks.*

27 *B. The following information shall be included on the application:*

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- 1 1. *The location of the public display of fireworks as*
2 *approved by the Culver City Fire Department;*
- 3 2. *The location for storage of the fireworks to be displayed*
4 *as approved by the Culver City Fire Department, if within*
5 *the City;*
- 6 3. *Who, if anyone, will provide management services to the*
7 *applicant for the public display of fireworks and evidence*
8 *that such manager has complied with all business tax*
9 *certificate requirements; and*
- 10 4. *Transportation routes and any other information deemed*
11 *necessary by the City Council for the consideration of the application.*

12 C. *Evidence of the following types of insurance in a form with*
13 *endorsements as approved by the City Attorney and in an amount as*
14 *established by the City Attorney and the Fire Chief, but not less than One*
15 *Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) shall be filed with the application:*

- 16 1. *Public liability insurance; combined single limit, bodily*
17 *injury and property damage, each occurrence;*
- 18 2. *Premises/operation liability;*
- 19 3. *Contractual liability, specifically referencing*
20 *indemnification agreements with the City; and*
- 21 4. *Products liability, including completed operations liability.*

22 D. *All fees required pursuant to this Code and City Council*
23 *resolution shall be paid at the time of filing the application; and*

24 E. *Evidence of compliance with any special conditions required by*
25 *the Culver City Fire Department because of the location of the public display*
26 *of fireworks.*

27 § 9.02.220 *CONDITIONS GOVERNING PERMIT.*

Any permit granted to conduct a public display of fireworks shall be governed by all of the following:

A. *The public display of fireworks shall be conducted by a duly licensed pyrotechnician who shall have obtained Culver City Fire Department approval no later than the last day of June of the year in which the permit is granted;*

B. One public display of fireworks may be conducted on July 4th, and one may be conducted in conjunction with Culver City High School's annual homecoming celebration. Any fireworks display shall be conducted strictly in accordance with all regulations and conditions specified in this Subchapter and in the Council resolution granting the permit;

C. Any attempt to transfer a permit to any person shall void the permit:

D. The permittee shall agree, in writing, to indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, representatives, and employees from any loss or liability or damages, including expenses and costs, for bodily injury or property damage sustained by any person as a result of any operation related to the permit; and

E. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Subchapter shall preclude consideration of any application filed if permits have not been granted thereunder, and shall be sufficient cause of the revocation of any permit previously issued.

§ 9.02.225 SEIZURE OF UNAUTHORIZED FIREWORKS.

Any duly authorized member of the Fire Department or Police Department shall seize, take, remove or cause to be removed at the expense of the owner all stocks of fireworks displayed, stored, held or offered or exposed for sale in violation of this Subchapter.

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